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- (1) Miyatake et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,241,575,
issued August 31, 1993;
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application
No. (A) 07-087284 (FUJI XEROX CO LTD) published
March 31, 1995; and
- (3) Takebe et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,861,621,
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